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[redacted] sand was continuously hauled to the northern section of Altenburg airfield on a recently completed road. Five narrow-gauge field locomotives were observed by the side of two mounds in the northeastern section of the field. About 60 civilian laborers supervised by a member of the VP, were clearing and leveling the northern extension of the runway on both sides of the approach road. The radio beacon in this area was being removed. The two brick buildings for workers were completed. A wooden loading ramp was being constructed northwest of the flight control building. The sentry box and barrier previously observed in the northeastern section of the field were removed. There was intensive flying. The aircraft were guarded by sentries. Field fortifications were observed in the western section of the installation. At least 500 men were stationed at the field. *

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* [redacted] Comment. Initial construction work at Altenburg airfield was previously reported. [redacted]. The presence of five narrow-gauge field locomotives indicates large scale construction at the field. [redacted] the field is to be improved in the same way as Brand airfield where a 2,500 meter runway and two taxiways exist. Clearing and leveling work indicate that the runway is to be extended to the north. The field is now occupied by an air transport regiment equipped with Li-2s.

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